GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1040
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UNIFORM CABLE CHARGES
CHANDRAKANT BHAURAO KHAIRE

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to fix some uniform cable charges at all places of Delhi and Maharashtra so that all Doordarshan viewers can avail of this facility; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) & (b): No, Sir. Subscription rates charged by cable operators or paychannels are not regulated under any provision of the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act, 1995 or rules framed thereunder. As regards Doordarshan channels, the terrestrial channels of Doordarshan can be received free of charge in the country through a normal yagi antenna, for which a cable connection is not necessary.